

South Bay Cruising Club

From The Masthead



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From the Helm

John Davis

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The snow birds are beginning to head back to Long Island and boats are trickling back into the water, so you know we are getting close to our sailing season here on the bay. As a prelude to spring, our Hospitality Committee hosted a fun-filled *Spring Cocktail Party* at the scenic Sayville Yacht Club on Saturday afternoon, April 2nd. Despite a "little" rain, it was great celebrating the arrival of Spring with so many friends from the SBCC. Thank you Jim and Allison Reichel and everyone on the Hospitality Committee for providing us a perfect afternoon and evening.

In anticipation of the new season, our Program Chairman, Rich Troy, organized an extremely professional seminar on Safety at Sea and using Radar. *Landfall Navigation* presented the seminar and Molly Malone's of Bay Shore donated the use of their catering room for the four-hour event. A very special thank you to Bob Forman for donating an *Orca Gear Inflatable Jacket* for our raffle at the event.

Fleet Captain Dennis Krug returned home in time to offer us a lively and entertaining presentation of awards for the 2004 cruising and rendezvous season. This event was also organized by Program Chairman Rich Troy at Molly Malone's and included a terrific buffet dinner and fantastic awards assembled by our trophy committee, Jennifer and Michael Einsetler. Thanks to everyone who participated in this enjoyable evening.

To conclude the month, our Welcoming Chair, Della Bucher hosted her annual cocktail party for SBCC members who joined the club in the last 12 months and give them an opportunity to meet with our board members. The future of this club depends on our new members and it is important that we demonstrate the fact that we appreciate their decision to join us. Thanks to Della for being such a generous hostess.

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From the Regatta Captain

Jack Morgan

For sailors the winter always seems to drag on forever, but at the time of this writing there are only eight more Thursday nights without racing. The first race this season will indeed be a Thursday Twilight, on May 26th start time 1930. The Creepstakes will follow on Commissioning Day, Monday May 30th. This year the Bay Shore Twilights will be held on Tuesday nights beginning Tuesday, June 14. The new West Babylon Twilight races will begin on Wednesday, June 22 in the vicinity of buoys 4 and 5 off Carll's River, just west of the Babylon pool. Start times for these races will be 1930 and they will be held approximately every other

Wednesday throughout the summer. Other events to start off the season are the Spring Family Race out of Watch Hill on Sunday, June 5th, and the West Cup on Friday, June 17th. This is just a brief description of the events that will start the SBCC racing season. Many of you will not have your yearbooks when the season begins so I will publish more info in next month's **Masthead**. This looks to be a great season. If you have any questions you can reach me at 631-422-6531 or jpmorg@optonline.net

See you on the starting line.

Jack 🏆

From the Fleet Captain

Dennis Krug

The Cruising Awards Dinner at Molly Malone's waterfront restaurant in Bay Shore was well attended. Cruise Captains, Rendezvous Hosts, Cruise and Rendezvous participants all received very nice awards that will be useful on board.

The Blue Water Award was presented to Parker and Debbie Revella in recognition of their 2003/2004 cruise down the east coast and to the Bahamas. Once again Ed Hopkins was awarded the Sheila Daytz Trophy given to the boat attending the greatest number of Club rendezvous in a season. This is the third consecutive year that Ed has received this award.

There will be a Cruise Planning meeting on Thursday, April 14th. The meeting will be from 7:30 to 9:00 pm. The location will be at the West Marine store, 124 East Main Street, Babylon. Cruise Captains will be there to discuss the cruise itineraries printed in previous issues of the **Masthead**. If you are interested in joining a cruise this is an excellent way to obtain information and meet others who plan to join a cruise as well.

Dennis 🚤

If you were unable to pick up your Cruise & Rendezvous Award(s) please contact Jennifer Davis Einsetler at (631) 539-4331

Programming

Rich Troy

Our recent Safety and RADAR Seminar was presented by Capt. Henry Marx and Capt. Eric Knott of LandFall Navigation of Connecticut. This was a four hour interactive session, and included plenty of time for asking questions of our expert presenters. An inflatable safety jacket worth about \$250 was donated by SBCC's Bob Foreman, and was raffled off to the holder of the lucky winning \$5 raffle ticket - Sandy

The Safety Seminar included discussions of safety equipment along with live demonstrations of some inflatable life vests, with useful reminders of how to use and maintain the equipment.

The excellent RADAR Seminar described the capabilities of RADAR and some important limitations. The RADAR plotting tutorial was very valuable - it showed how to determine if you're on a collision course with that moving blip on the screen, and which way to turn to avoid a collision.

Look for these Program Events on Commissioning Day, Memorial Day, Monday May 30th at the Babylon Yacht Club.

- The local United States Coast Guard Auxiliary (USCGA) has once again graciously agreed to provide us with a Color Guard Flag Ceremony for our opening ceremonies.
- Our USCGA representatives will be available to provide free USCGA Boating Safety Inspections. There's no penalty if you fail the inspection, but at least you'll have gotten some friendly professional advice on what you need to make your boat safer.
- The local USCGA Commander will speak for a few minutes on how the role of the USCGA has changed since the WTC events of 9/11/01 - and how recreational boaters can help the USCGA in their Homeland Security role.
- The USCGA will bring aerial pictures of the Great South Bay and the inlets taken at low tide - allowing us to see where those low spots are, and maybe avoid some additional groundings. (Any sailor in the Great South Bay who says they've never touched bottom hasn't left their dock - or has a windsurfer!)
- The USCGA will tell us about the current status of the dredging and buoy marking of the notorious Moriches Inlet.
- Look for some interesting sailing pictures being displayed during the day, courtesy of SBCC members.

A final important note on Commissioning Day Flag Protocol: Your individual South Bay Cruising Club Burgees should not be raised until the club's large SBCC Burgee is flying from the flagpole of the Babylon Yacht Club.

Hope to see you "on the water" soon,

Welcoming New Members

Della Bucher

The following new members were voted in at the last board meeting:

Members - **Jarrett Fifield** of Astoria who sails *Persuasion*, a 23' Sun Coast out of Babylon, sponsored by Jack Morgan and John Holst.

Associates - **Arnold and Lillian McKenney** - of East Islip

Reinstated - **Joseph and Anita Sicinski**

Please welcome them. 🍷

The Welcoming Rendezvous was held at my home on March 19th. It was a successful evening with approximately 50 people attending. Commodore John Davis introduced the Board members who attended and advised that the new members take this opportunity to ask any questions they may have as to all the activities that take place over the sailing season. I would like to thank Nancy Sherman, Peggy Hackett, Christine Mulle, Jeff Mattera, and Bill Eilbeck for their help in food and libation preparation. It was a fun rendezvous and I hope to see all the new members that attended out on the bay.

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A year ago we formed the *SBCC Pump-out Initiative Committee* for the purpose of helping to make the Great South Bay a cleaner place for all of us to enjoy. The initial goal of the committee is to continue working with Suffolk County to help acquire and operate pump-out boat facilities in local waters while also improving land based pump-out facilities on the bay. Check the SBCC website at sbccsail.org for more details and updates.

Many of you may remember long time member Bob Smith. Bob was very active as a club member and board

member prior to moving to Saint Michael's, Maryland where he later became Commodore of the Saint Michael's Yacht Club. Bob passed away recently in Maryland.

We are ready for the new season and we look forward to seeing you as often as possible. Remember, your participation is the catalyst we need for the continuing success of the SBCC.

You can reach me any time at (631) 422-2242 or by email to jdavisfly@aol.com

John 

South Bay Cruising Club Pump-Out Committee

Working to keep the Great South Bay clean by improving the pump-out facilities.

Southampton Town was receiving 600 gallons of sewage from land-based stations during the boating season, but, with the addition of pump-out boats, that amount jumped up to 68,000 gallons of sewage annually. Clearly, this increase in captured sewage was due to the convenience of the pump-out boats.

The South Bay Cruising Club's (SBCC) Pump-Out Committee has written a detailed Findings and Position Paper on this subject, providing more information and requesting your help with our Petition. The SBCC website also has Flyers that can be printed and posted in public locations. Please visit our web page to see our full documentation: <http://www.sbccsail.org/Pumpout.htm>

Our Initial Goal: The SBCC Pump-Out Committee is promoting our initial endeavor to have cleaner water in the GSB by asking Suffolk County to help acquire and operate pump-out boat facilities in the local waters, starting with the very popular weekend anchorage of the Connetquot River (Great River) in Oakdale, Town of Islip.

Our Future Plans: We hope to succeed with our initial goal and then move onto related goals such as gaining additional pump-out boats and improving the land-based pump-out facilities in the GSB.

The committee has had help from John Davis, Joel Becker, Sue Montana, Rich Troy, Sally Eilbeck, Bob Shepperd, Dick LaBella, Adrienne Tesoro and Charlie Becker. There's always room for another set of hands, so let us know if you'd like to join by contacting Joel Becker at (631) 234-4062 or jebecker@optonline.net

Please sign, circulate and return the petition enclosed in this Masthead

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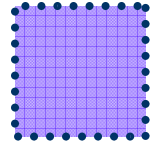
Over The Bowsprit

April 25 - SBCC Board Meeting West Islip Public Library, 19:30

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Rendezvous, Unqua Heading <i>Mistress</i>
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Rendezvous, Davis Park <i>Vixen</i>
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 Rendezvous, Atlantique <i>Counterpoint</i>
22	23 SBCC Board Meeting West Islip Public Library 19:30	24	25	26 Twilight Race 19:30	27	28 Rendezvous, Connetquot River <i>Silent P</i>
29	30 Commissioning Babylon Yacht Club Creepstakes Race	31			May	



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Listings are for nautical items for sale by **SBCC MEMBERS ONLY**. Ads will run for 3 months only unless an extension is requested. Send the written advertisement by mail to:
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Or email to:
belfry86@optonline.net

The Rigging Locker

For Sale: *Andiamo!* -- 1977 Bayliner Buccaneer -- 20.5' daysailor, great family boat, huge cockpit, small cabin, easy to sail, very forgiving, perfect for learning to sail on the bay with 21" draft. Includes jib, genoa and main in good condition, professionally maintained Honda 75 long shaft outboard, and all cushions. Currently in water in Babylon.

Price: \$1200 or best offer

Contact: Linda Hotchkiss 516-319-1423

For Sale: 1998 WEST MARINE 9' inflatable dinghy with high pressure floor, in fair condition. Also same vintage EVENRUDE 8HP outboard and tank, in good condition. Neither one used very much.

Contact: Don Gardner (631) 286-1396

For Sale: 1991 EVENRUDE 6HP YACHTWIN outboard, with long shaft and generator. This has been stored for years until I rebuilt the lower unit. It starts and runs fine. Looks to be in good shape. No tank.

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